

From: Sweeney, Stephen
To: Hall, Lynda; Psyk, Christine; Joelle Gore - NOAA Federal
CC: Waye, Don
Sent: 5/21/2014 10:55:47 AM
Subject: RE: Response to the question of possible 30% reduction

Ex. 5 - Attorney Client

From: Hall, Lynda
Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 10:45 AM
To: Sweeney, Stephen; Psyk, Christine; Joelle Gore - NOAA Federal
Cc: Waye, Don
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Ex. 5 - Deliberative

From: Sweeney, Stephen
Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2014 9:12 AM
To: Psyk, Christine; Hall, Lynda; Joelle Gore - NOAA Federal
Subject: RE: Response to the question of possible 30% reduction

Ex. 5 - Attorney Client

From: Psyk, Christine
Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2014 7:01 PM
To: Hall, Lynda; Joelle Gore - NOAA Federal
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Ex. 5 - Deliberative

Thanks much.

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Subject: RE: Response to the question of possible 30% reduction

Hi Christine – thanks for the response. I just wanted to check to be sure you are absolutely certain about that, because that's not how our AG read the statute and that's not what we've been saying for the last five months. I'm not saying our AG is always right or anything like that – I just want to be sure that if we change our message, we can say so based upon new and definitive info from EPA. Thanks!
Karen

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Sent: Tuesday, May 20, 2014 3:45 PM
To: WIGAL Jennifer; HICKMAN Jane; TARNOW Karen E; ALDRICH Greg
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From Christine Psyk. She said our 319 award would be reduced 30% from what we would normally receive and would not be compounded as we've been assuming.

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Adam, the first example is the correct interpretation.

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Thank you, Joel and Christine.

So just to be absolutely clear, the reduction would look like this:

Fiscal Year	Appropriation	Award	Notes
FY2014	2,105,000	2,105,000	
FY2015 (est.)	2,105,000	1,473,500	Reduced 30% from FY2015 appropriation
FY2016 (est.)	2,105,000	1,473,500	Reduced 30% from FY2016 appropriation

It would not look like this:

Fiscal Year	Award	Notes
FY2014	2,105,000	
FY2015 (est.)	1,473,500	Reduced 30% from FY2014 award
FY2016 (est.)	1,031,450	Reduced 30% from FY2015 award

We are working on contingency planning for our 2015-17 budget, so we want to make sure we fully and accurately understand the potential impact.

Thank you,

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From: Salter, Joel [<mailto:Salter.Joel@epa.gov>]
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To: FOSTER Eugene P; COUTU Adam
Cc: PSYK Christine
Subject: Response to the question of possible 30% reduction

Hello Gene and Adam, here is a response from Ms. Christine Psyk to the question of compounding the 30% on a yearly basis: "On the CZARA penalties, . . . , the penalty does not compound. So, the penalty would apply at 30% rate in a fixed fashion to whatever the grant award amount is based on any given year's appropriation."

I understand that discussions are still underway with NWEA regarding the new schedule for an EPA decision. More to come on that.

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